

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 15, 22, and 34-37 and ADD new claims 41- 42 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer system, comprising:
 - means for receiving member identification information from a terminal of one member;
 - means for transmitting, to said terminal of said one member, a web page providing first display information to a terminal of one registered member, said first display information comprising:
 - a first image to identify said one member himself or herself, and
 - a plurality of second images to identify other registered members, wherein each of the other registered members belongs to a same group as said one member;
 - means for receiving, from said terminal of said one member, information indicating selection of said first image of from said first display information;
 - means for transmitting a member web page of said one member to said terminal of said one member; and
 - means for forming second display information prompting said one member to request a comment from an expert in said group, who is different from the other registered members; and processing means for identifying the expert to receive the request from the said one member based on information regarding the one said member.

2. - 10. (CANCELLED)

11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer system according to claim 1, further comprising:
 - means for receiving another request of said first display information from said terminal of said one member;
 - means for shuffling said locations of said first image and said second images; and
 - means for transmitting shuffled first display information in which said locations of said

first image and said second images are shuffled to said terminal of said one member.

12. - 14. (CANCELLED)

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable storage storing a program for controlling a computer to provide information, by:

transmitting a web page providing first display information to a terminal of one registered member, said first display information comprising:

a first image to identify said one member himself or herself, and

a plurality of second images in a tree-like arrangement to identify other registered members, wherein each of the other registered members belongs to a same group as said one member;

receiving, from said terminal of said one member, information indicating selection of said first image from said first display information;

transmitting a member web page of said selected member to said terminal of said one member; and

forming second display information prompting said one member to request a comment from an expert in said group, who is different from the other registered members.

16.-19. (CANCELLED)

20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer-readable storage for controlling a computer to provide information according to claim 15, further comprising:

receiving another request of said first display information from said terminal of said one member;

shuffling said locations of said first image and said second images; and

transmitting the shuffled first display information in which said locations of said first image and said second images are shuffled to said terminal of said one member.

21. (CANCELLED)

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An information providing method comprising:

transmitting a web page providing first display information to a terminal of one registered member, said first display information comprising:

a first image to identify said one member himself or herself, and
a plurality of second images to identify other registered members, wherein
each of the other registered members belongs to a same group as said one member;
receiving, from said terminal of said one member, information indicating selection
of said first image from said first display information;
transmitting a member web page of said one member to said terminal of said one
member; and
forming second display information prompting said one member to request a comment
from an expert in said group, who is different from the other registered members; and
requesting a comment from the expert by said one member by clicking an expert request
button displayed on a page of the one said member.

23.-26. (CANCELLED)

27. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The information providing method according to
claim 22, further comprising:

receiving another request of said first display information from said terminal of said one
member;
shuffling said locations of said first image and said second images; and
transmitting the shuffled first display information in which said locations of said first image
and said second images are shuffled to said terminal of said one member.

28.- 33. (CANCELLED)

34. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~An~~The information providing method according to
claim 22, wherein the transmitting of first display information is in response to a receipt of
identification information from one member,

35. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~An~~The information providing method according to
claim 22, wherein the information about said other member includes an attribute registered in
advance.

36. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~An~~The information providing method according to
claim 22, further comprising registering ~~the~~ an inputted comment to the other member and

including the registered comment in the second display information.

37. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~An~~The information providing method according to claim 22, further comprising:

transmitting a request for a comment from the one member to the expert or a comment from the said expert, and

upon receiving a comment from said terminal of said expert, storing said comment information into a storage area for said one member.

38. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer system according to claim 1, further comprising:

means for receiving, from said terminal of said one member, information indicating selection of one of said second images from said first display information;

means for transmitting a member web page of a registered member identified by the selected second image to said terminal of said one member; and

means for forming third display information comprising information about the identified registered member and prompting said one member to input a comment to said identified registered member.

39. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer-readable storage for controlling a computer to provide information according to claim 15, by further:

receiving, from said terminal of said one member, information indicating selection of one of said second images from said first display information;

transmitting a member web page of a registered member identified by the selected second image to said terminal of said one member; and

forming third display information comprising information about the identified registered member and prompting said one member to input a comment to said identified registered member.

40. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method according to claim 22, further comprising:

receiving, from said terminal of said one member, information indicating selection of one of said second images from said first display information;

transmitting a member web page of a registered member identified by the selected

second image to said terminal of said one member; and

forming third display information comprising information about the identified registered member and prompting said one member to input a comment to said identified registered member.

41. (NEW) The computer system according to claim 1, wherein the processing means for identifying the expert is an analyzer.

42. (NEW) The computer-readable storage storing a program for controlling a computer to provide information according to claim 15, wherein links to respective web sites of the other registered members are embedded in each of the plurality of second images in the tree-like arrangement.